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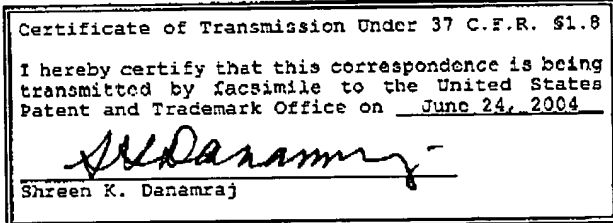
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Sandeep Sharma et al. \$ Confirmation No.: 2192  
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Appl. No.: 09/668,897 \$ Art Unit: 2664  
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SELF-ADJUSTABLE DESIGN FOR  
HANDLING EVENT FLOWS

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Responsive to the Office Action of March 25, 2004, the shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 25, 2004, reconsideration of the Action and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested and are believed to be appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks: